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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PERP, LY, PL, SP
SUBJECT: QADHAFI SPEECH AT OAU MEETING

1. THE PORTUGUESE AMBASSADOR MENTIONED TO ME LAST NIGHT THAT SPANISH FOREIGN OFFICE SOURCES HAD EXPRESSED TO HIM THEIR BELIEF THAT BASED ON EXTRACTS THEY HAD SEEN, QADHAFI'S SPEECH AT THE RECENT OAU MEETING IN TRIPOLI IN WHICH HE REFERRED TO DECOLONILIZATION OF MADEIRA AND REUNION, WAS ALMOST IDENTICAL TO A SPEECH WHICH SOVIET REPRESENTATIVE ZORIN HAD GIVEN IN NEW YORK IN 1960 ON DECOLONIALIZATION. THE PORTUGUESE AMBASSADOR THOUGHT THAT THE ZORIN SPEECH HAD BEEN GIVEN IN CONNECTION WITH A UNGA DECOLONIALIZATION RESOLUTION.

2. IN ANSWER TO THE PROTUGUESE AMBASSADOR'S QUERY, I SAID THAT I HAD NO INFORMATION CONCERNING QADHAFI'S SPEECH BUT THAT I WOULD SEE WHAT I COULD FIND OUT.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: IF THE DEPARTMENT CAN PROVIDE ME WITH ANY COMMENT ON THE ABOVE WHICH I COULD PASS ON TO THE PORTUGUESE AMBASSADOR, I SHOULD BE GRATEFUL.
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